



# The Wave

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## President's Message

### AUGUST

means we are in the final, exciting stretch of preparations for our **"RED CARPET GALA"** 2025 FUNdraiser!

This will be a beautiful evening celebrating our winning spirit while raising funds for future successes — especially the all-important 2026 Midterm Campaign Season.

As we know, our opponents are ramping up their propaganda to counter the great achievements President Trump continues to deliver to Make America Great Again. That's why your support is so important now.

#### Ticket Information

FUNdraiser tickets are available only until September 12 — and since we're practicing the "DOGE" frame of mind, there will be no extras beyond that date. Don't miss your chance! Purchase links

and details are available **[HERE]**.

In July, CLRW proudly elected our Delegates to the upcoming conventions:

- ◆ NFRW Convention – September 25–28 in Orlando, Florida
- ◆ TFRW Convention – October 23–25 in San Antonio, Texas

I am very honored to represent CLRW at the NFRW Convention and am especially blessed to attend alongside our wonderful team at the TFRW Convention. These gatherings are invaluable opportunities to share ideas, exchange excitement, and learn new strategies to advance Republican values in America.

Congratulations to each member of CLRW for the many club achievements during the 2024–2025 timeframe! Be sure to read about the 2026–2027 slate of officers for both NFRW and

TFRW in their respective newsletters — these leaders will be voted on at the conventions.

Let's keep the momentum going! I look forward to celebrating our recent accomplishments — and future victories — with all of you at the Gala.

God Bless each of you, our Texas, and our United States of America!

*Jan Hunt*  
President



**CLRW Meets**  
Third Wednesday • 9:30 am  
**St. Francis by the Lake**  
**Episcopal Church**  
121 Spring Mountain Dr.

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# What's Happening



**CANYON LAKE REPUBLICAN WOMEN**

**Congressman Chip Roy**  
21st District of Texas



**Wednesday, August 20, 2025**  
**Meet and Greet - 9:30am**  
**Program - 10:00am**

St. Francis by the Lake Episcopal Church  
121 Spring Mountain Dr.  
Canyon Lake, Tx 78133

**RSVP ONLY**

to Tara Evans by Monday, August 18th,  
210-557-8624, or email, [tarae1965@gmail.com](mailto:tarae1965@gmail.com).  
\$5.00 charge for non-members.



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## Upcoming Events

**Wednesday, August 20, 9:30 AM**  
**CLRW Business Meeting**  
*Speaker: Congressman Chip Roy*  
*Topic: Federal Update*  
*St Francis by the Lake Episcopal Church,*  
*121 Spring Mountain Dr., Canyon Lake*

**Monday, Sept. 1**  
**Labor Day**

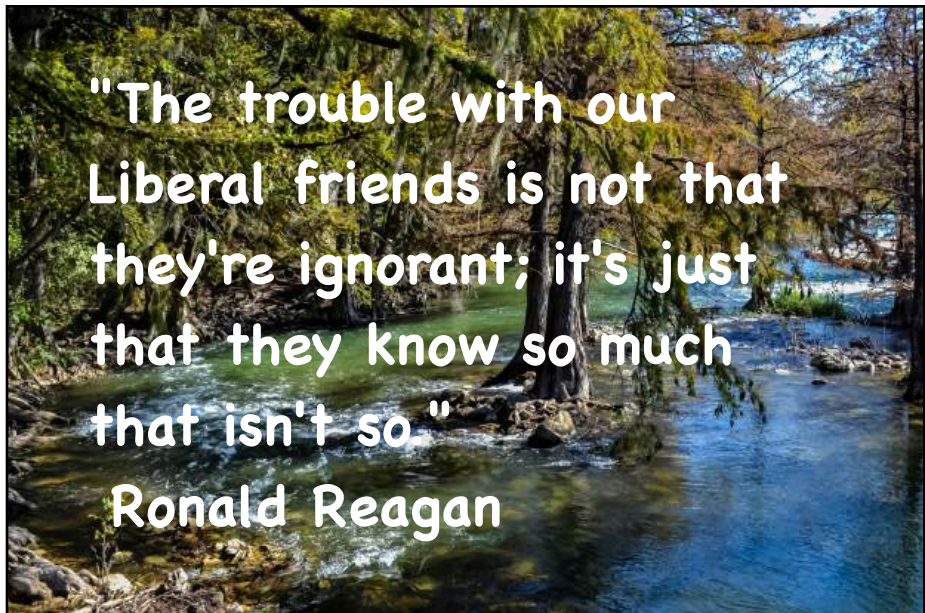
**Wednesday, Sept. 3, 12:00 PM**  
**GSAC Meeting/Luncheon**  
*Anne Marie's Catering 12475 Starcrest Dr*  
*San Antonio, TX 78216*  
RSVP to [Yvonne Clouser](#)

**Monday, Sept. 8, 1:00 PM**  
**Executive Committee Meeting**  
*TPML Founder's Room*

**Thursday, Sept. 11**  
**Freedom Walk**

**Thursday, Sept 18, 6:00 PM**  
**RED CARPET GALA**  
*The Chandelier at Gruene*

**Sept. 26-28**  
**NFRW 43rd Biennial Convention**  
*Rosen Shingle Creek*  
*Orlando, Florida*



"The trouble with our Liberal friends is not that they're ignorant; it's just that they know so much that isn't so."  
**Ronald Reagan**



[Click here to sign up to bring snacks to the monthly business meetings.](#)

## Canyon Lake Republican Women



### INVITE YOU TO A RED CARPET GALA

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2025  
THE CHANDELIER AT GRUENE  
1924 BRETZKE LANE  
NEW BRAUNFELS, TX 78132  
6-9 P.M.

**We Are Proud To Have Stacey Schieffelin,  
Chair Of The America First Women's Initiative And Senior  
Advisor To The America First Policy Institute As Our Speaker.**

**Click Here to Download the Registration Form**

**Cashless Bar, With Specialty Drinks, Photographers,  
Auction And Dinner  
With A Little Fun Thrown In**

**Dress Is: Old Hollywood, Cocktail And Upscale Texas For The Men**



Donald Trump has said that women are an essential part of the political, economic, and social fabric of our Nation. They play a critical role to the success of our great country.

Stacey Schieffelin was recently appointed Chair of the [America First Women's Initiative](#) by the [America First Policy Institute](#). As Chair, Stacey will promote multiple platforms to champion women, focus on conservative policies and reshape the narrative around women's roles in society. As a former Ford Model for 20 years, Stacey is a successful entrepreneur with a 40-year career. She has built a global presence, supporting brands on LIVE TV shopping networks in 28 countries. She has

served as President of the Richardson Republican Women and is a 2025 Texas Federation of Republican Women Gold Patron. She was raised on her family's Florida ranches and has two daughters. You will not want to miss this dynamic speaker and her passionate message.

## Red Carpet Gala!



The Canyon Lake Republican Women's 33rd annual fundraiser is almost here! If you don't have tickets yet, you had better "hustle". The deadline is September 12.

Since our club will not be meeting in September, you will not be able to purchase tickets in person, so you will have to purchase them in August at the meeting or on the website.

We have pulled out all the stops this year with an amazing speaker, Stacey Schieffelin, Chair of The America First Women's Initiative. This year, we will have a wonderful dinner catered by Anne Marie's Catering and creative signature drinks from our fancy Bar. There

will be some extra fun thrown into the mix along with our terrific live and silent auction. Most of our reserved tables are sold, but there are a few available, so check our website to purchase tickets. If you are mailing a check, it must be received no later than September 12. If you are unable to attend, consider a donation. This club works extremely hard to promote good candidates in the Republican Party and promote educational endeavors around the lake area. It can't be done without your help.

This year's Red Carpet Gala is sure to be a hit, so cocktail attire, old Hollywood, and upscale Texas is the theme of the evening. Come mingle, have dinner and have fun! We hope to see you September 18, 6-9 p.m. The Chandelier at Gruene!

Carolyn Besselman

## Auction Items

Get ready to bid on these exciting items!



Michael Kors Handbag with Krewe Sunglasses and Western Scarf



Who doesn't need a George Strait Patriotic Hat?!



Beautiful handcrafted Texas Stepping Stone

# What's Happening



## We're Back! September 3

Greater San Antonio Council

Join us for an exciting meeting and also learn about the Texas Constitutional Amendments coming up.

11:15 a.m.

Anne Marie's Catering  
12475 Starcrest Dr.  
San Antonio 78216

Special Guest Speakers: Brent Smith  
Kinney County Attorney-speaking on border issues



Carlton Soules: San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo Director

*It is critical that you RSVP by the request date as we cannot change our numbers after that time. We take cash or check only at the event.* RSVP to Yvonne Clouser: [vonpon07@gmail.com](mailto:vonpon07@gmail.com) no later than August 25.

Do you have fundraiser information or other to share? Bring it to the meeting!

(Executive Committee Meeting will be held at 10:15)



Continue to pray for healing and rebuilding efforts in the Texas Hill Country. If you feel led to donate, these organizations are suggested by TFRW:

San Angelo: Click [HERE](#)

Kerrville: Click [HERE](#)

ROUND MOUNTAIN BAPTIST CHURCH

**"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea."**

-Psalm 46:1-2

Northern Travis County was also hit very hard with the flooding, but are not receiving the same attention that the Kerrville area has received.

Suggested organizations:

[Central Texas Community Foundation](#)  
[Round Mountain Baptist Church](#)



## Rules Governing the Use of the Texas Flag

# Conventions

## NFRW 43rd Biennial Convention

*Pursuing Greatness: 87 Years of Excellence  
Protecting and Defending America!*



**September 25-28, 2025**

Rosen Shingle Creek  
Orlando, Florida

[Click here for the Tentative Schedule of Events and Speakers.](#)

[Click here to register for the Convention.](#)

[Click here for hotel details.](#)

## TFRW 35th Biennial Convention



**October 23-25, 2025**

Grand Hyatt  
600 E. Market Street  
San Antonio, Texas

[Click here for the Tentative Schedule of Events and Speakers.](#)

[Click here to register for the Convention.](#)

[Click here for hotel details.](#)

# Conventions

## NFRW Convention Delegate



President Jan Hunt

## TFRW Convention Delegates



Patti Johnson



Belinda Frisk



Jan Hunt



Teresa Pick



Sue Piner



Molly Vogt



Virginia  
Donnelly



Jeanne Slupik



Cindy Payne



Regina  
McDaniel



Pam Sullivan



Melinda Rapp



Paula  
Schuldheisz



Carolyn Besselman  
At-Large Delegate  
TFRW District  
Director, District 25

# 89th Legislative Session Recap



The 89th Legislative Session was packed with both historic wins and frustrating roadblocks. As your State Representative, I am proud to share some of the major victories we accomplished together.

## Eight Republican Party Legislative Priorities

### 1. Border Security

We delivered \$6 billion in funding to secure our Southern border and passed HB 247, which I proudly coauthored, to incentivize construction of border security infrastructure. But efforts to increase penalties for traffickers and require federal reimbursement for Texas' border costs were blocked.

[Click Here for a recap of the 4 bills passed and the 5 that failed to pass.](#)

### 2. Secure Texas Elections

We passed tougher penalties for voter fraud with HB 5115, which I coauthored, and passed SB 2753, which I proudly sponsored in the House, to restore trust in our elections. SB 2753 simplifies the voting process and strengthens election integrity by creating a single, uninterrupted voting period with standardized procedures and consistent equipment. This new structure also enhances voter privacy and ensures ballot secrecy—moving beyond the flawed redaction policy currently in place. A key priority—SB 16, which would require proof of citizenship to vote—was blocked by opposition.

[Click Here for a recap of the 10 bills passed and the 5 that failed to pass.](#)

### 3. Stop Sexualizing Kids

We passed SB 13 and HB 3225—of which I am a coauthor—to strengthen parental

oversight of school libraries and restrict minors' access to explicit materials. I also proudly co-sponsored SB 10 and SB 11, standing firm on religious freedom in schools by supporting the display of the Ten Commandments (SB 10), protecting student prayer (SB 11), and advancing the Parents' Bill of Rights (SB 12).

[Click Here for a recap of the 8 bills passed and the 2 that failed to pass.](#)

### 4. No Democratic Chairs

The Texas House did ban Democrat committee chairs during the 89th Legislative Session, but House leadership allowed them to retain vice-chair roles—with expanded powers, such as new budgets, calling witnesses, and influencing legislation. Despite this, we still delivered major conservative wins, as highlighted in this legislative recap. While not every outcome was ideal, the progress we made is significant. It's important to remember that Democrats still hold over 41% of the House, and with only 88 Republicans, we need 100 members present for a quorum. Even with these challenges, we advanced strong conservative policies that continue to make Texas a beacon of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

### 5. Ban Taxpayer Funded Lobbying

On the call for the first called special session of the 89th Legislature, Governor Abbott added the banning of taxpayer-funded lobbying as a priority issue. I will fight to ban taxpayer-funded lobbying during the special session.

### 6. Secure the Electric Grid

[Click Here for a recap of the 12 bills passed and the 8 that failed to pass.](#)

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# 89th Legislative Session Recap

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## **7. Texas is Not for Sale**

[Click Here for a recap of the 2 bills passed.](#)

## **8. End Federal Overreach**

[Click Here for a recap of the 12 bills passed.](#)

## **Other Victories**

### **Property Tax Relief**

This session, the state budget (Senate Bill 1) dedicated \$51 billion to local property tax compression—an \$11.2 billion increase from the previous biennium, representing 15% of the entire budget. Key legislation raised the homestead exemption from \$100,000 to \$140,000, with an additional \$60,000 for seniors and the disabled, as well as providing disaster-related flexibility and increasing transparency in school and local tax decisions. We delivered meaningful relief, but we must finish the job and end the property tax system once and for all.

[Click Here for a recap of the 5 bills passed.](#)

### **Second Amendment Defense**

Our fight for firearm freedom earned me the inaugural **Smoking Bull Freedom Fighter Award** from the Texas State Rifle Association. I authored, co-authored and sponsored numerous pieces of legislation to expand reciprocity (SB 706), ban red flag laws (SB 1362), protect foster parents' privacy (HB 1403), and much more.

[Click Here for a recap of the 6 bills passed.](#)

### **Education Freedom**

Texas now leads the nation with the largest first-day rollout of Education Savings Accounts (SB 2), which I proudly co-sponsored. As a result, parents have greater control over their child's education, choosing the best educational environment—public,

private, charter, or home-based—for their needs.

[Click Here for a recap of the 7 bills passed.](#)

### **Pro-Life**

We protected unborn life with SB 33, which I co-sponsored, bars taxpayer dollars from supporting abortion travel, and increases funding for the Thriving Texas Families Program to \$210 million.

[Click Here for a recap of the 5 bills passed.](#)

### **Transgender & Women's Rights**

We passed the Women's Bill of Rights (HB 229), which I co-authored, to define biological sex in state code and ensure equal insurance coverage for those detransitioning (SB 1257).

[Click Here for a recap of the 3 bills passed.](#)

### **Other Important Victories**

Bail Reform

Veterans & Military

Water

Workforce & Economic Development

Miscellaneous

[Click Here for a recap of the bills passed.](#)

Representative Carrie Isaac  
State District 73

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# 1st Special Legislative Session

The first Special Session of the 89th Legislative Session began on July 21.

The Special Session agenda items include:

**FLOOD WARNING SYSTEMS:** Legislation to improve early warning systems and other preparedness infrastructure in flood-prone areas throughout Texas.

**FLOOD EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS:** Legislation to strengthen emergency communications and other response infrastructure in flood-prone areas throughout Texas.

**RELIEF FUNDING FOR HILL COUNTRY FLOODS:** Legislation to provide relief funding for response to and recovery from the storms which began in early July 2025, including local match funding for jurisdictions eligible for FEMA public assistance.

**NATURAL DISASTER PREPARATION & RECOVERY:** Legislation to evaluate and streamline rules and regulations to speed preparedness for and recovery from natural disasters.

**ELIMINATE STAAR TEST:** Legislation to eliminate the STAAR test and replace it with effective tools to assess student progress and ensure school district accountability.

**CUT PROPERTY TAXES:** Legislation reducing the property tax burden on Texans and legislation imposing spending limits on entities authorized to impose property taxes.

**PROTECT CHILDREN FROM THC:** Legislation making it a crime to provide hemp-derived products to children under 21 years of age.

**REGULATE HEMP-DERIVED PRODUCTS :** Legislation to comprehensively regulate hemp-derived products, including limiting potency, restricting synthetically modified compounds, and establishing enforcement mechanisms, all without banning a lawful agricultural commodity.

**PROTECT UNBORN CHILDREN:** Legislation further protecting unborn children and their

mothers from the harm of abortion.

**BAN TAXPAYER-FUNDED LOBBYING:**

Legislation prohibiting taxpayer-funded lobbying, including the use of tax dollars to hire lobbyists and payment of tax dollars to associations that lobby the Legislature.

**PROTECT HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIMS:** Legislation, similar to Senate Bill No. 1278 from the 89th Legislature, Regular Session, that protects victims of human trafficking from criminal liability for non-violent acts closely tied to their own victimization.

**POLICE PERSONNEL RECORDS:** Legislation that protects law enforcement officers from public disclosure of unsubstantiated complaints in personnel files.

**PROTECT WOMEN'S SPACES:** Legislation protecting women's privacy in sex-segregated spaces.

**ATTORNEY GENERAL ELECTION POWERS:** Legislation proposing a constitutional amendment allowing the Attorney General to prosecute state election crimes.

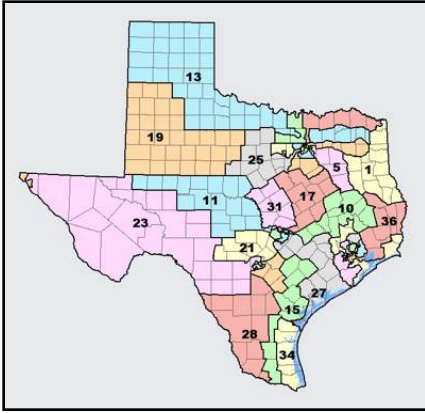
**REDISTRICTING:** Legislation that provides a revised congressional redistricting plan in light of constitutional concerns raised by the U.S. Department of Justice.

**TITLE THEFT & DEED FRAUD:** Legislation, similar to Senate Bill No. 648 from the 89th Legislature, Regular Session, that provides strengthened protections against title theft and deed fraud.

**WATER PROJECT INCENTIVES:** Legislation, similar to Senate Bill No. 1253 from the 89th Legislature, Regular Session, that authorizes political subdivisions to reduce impact fees for builders who include water conservation and efficiency measures.

**STATE JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT:** Legislation, similar to Senate Bill No. 2878 from the 89th Legislature, Regular Session, relating to the operation and administration of the Judicial Department of state government.

# 1st Special Legislative Session



## Governor Abbot's Statement on Texas House Democratic Quorum Break



[Click here for an interactive map of the proposed redistricting plan.](#)

[Watch Gov. Abbott's Fox News Interview](#)



**Current Congressional Districts 21 and 35**

To the left is the current Comal County Congressional Districts 21 & 35. As you can see, District 35, which is represented in beige on the map, includes part of Austin, runs along the I35 corridor and includes part of San Antonio. So a tiny strip of Comal County is in District 35.



**Proposed Congressional District 21**

Under the proposed redistricting plan (which could change), all of Comal County will be in District 21. District 35 looks less like a piece of stray spaghetti, and more like a real district under the proposed redistricting plan. It includes a part of Bexar County and all of Guadalupe, Wilson, and Karnes Counties. The Austin Democrat, Gregorio Casar, who currently "represents" District 35 is whining about gerrymandering under the proposed plan because he will lose his gerrymandered district.

# Constitutional Amendments

Beginning on October 20th (Early Voting) and ending on November 4 (Election Day), voters will decide whether to support or reject 17 amendments to the Texas Constitution. A yes vote would add the proposition to the Texas Constitution. A no vote would leave the Texas Constitution as it is.

Below is the language you see on the ballot, a brief description of the purpose of the constitutional amendment, and a link for you to do further research. Below are the first 5 Propositions. The remaining 12 will be in next month's newsletter..

## Proposition 1 - SJR 59

**Ballot Language:** *"The constitutional amendment providing for the creation of the permanent technical institution infrastructure fund and the available workforce education fund to support the capital needs of educational programs offered by the Texas State Technical College System."*

**Description:** The purpose of this constitutional amendment is to provide an adequate and steady source of capital funding for the Texas State Technical College System. Opponents of this constitutional amendment argue that this "approach locks a permanent spending commitment into the state's foundational document without sufficient mechanisms for legislative performance review, accountability, or adaptability".

[More Information](#)

## Proposition 2 - SJR 18

**Ballot Language:** *"The constitutional amendment prohibiting the imposition of a tax on the realized or unrealized capital gains of an individual, family, estate, or trust."*

**Description:** Like Texas, the state constitution in Washington State prohibits the legislature from enacting a state income tax. However, the Washington courts recently allowed the legislature to impose a tax on capital gains, claiming it was not income. Therefore, just to

be clear, this proposition would prohibit the imposition of a capital gains tax.

[More Information](#)

## Proposition 3 - SJR 5

**Ballot Language:** *"The constitutional amendment requiring the denial of bail under certain circumstances to persons accused of certain offenses punishable as a felony."*

**Description:** This constitutional amendment requires the judge to deny bail for certain violent felonies if the prosecution proves by preponderance of the evidence that the person is a flight risk or shows by clear and convincing evidence that allowing bail would fail to assure the security of the community, law enforcement, or the victim.

[More Information](#)

## Proposition 4 - HJR 7

**Ballot Language:** *"The constitutional amendment to dedicate a portion of the revenue derived from state sales and use taxes to the Texas water fund and to provide for the allocation and use of that revenue."*

**Description:** The purpose of this constitutional amendment is to provide a dedicated long-term funding source for the Texas Water Fund. This constitutional amendment would dedicate up to \$1 billion a year beginning in 2028.

[More Information](#)

## Proposition 5 - HJR 99

**Ballot Language:** *"The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation tangible personal property consisting of animal feed held by the owner of the property for sale at retail."*

**Description:** Under current law, animal feed is typically exempt from taxation at each location or transaction during its life cycle, from the field where it's harvested to the purchase of the feed by a farmer or rancher, except for when the feed is sitting in a store as inventory. H.J.R. 99 seeks to address this inconsistency.

[More Information](#)



## Political Activities Report

Zohran Mamdani has a significant lead over all other candidates for Mayor of New York City. However, he has had to defend his position on defunding the police considering the tragic mass shooting in Manhattan on July 28, 2025, when four people including a police officer were killed. The article below by Alec Schemmel from FOX News is from August 5, 2025.

### Replace cops with social workers, "transit ambassadors" on some 911 calls:

*Mamdani*

*By Alec Schemmel, Fox News*

*Published August 5, 2025 1:27pm EDT*

Social workers and other non-police professionals like "transit ambassadors" should handle certain 911 calls to ease NYPD workloads and improve officer retention, New York City Democratic mayoral nominee Zohran Mamdani said Monday.

Mamdani's position on law enforcement and public safety took center stage following a mass shooting in Manhattan on July 28 that killed four people, including a police officer. In light of the tragic shooting, Mamdani's critics began slamming him for past remarks about defunding the police in New York City.

Mamdani was once again asked about his approach to crime and public safety Monday in a press conference with Sen. Elizabeth Warren, D-Mass., when he offered up his idea.

"I've said time and time again that every decision I make with regards to the NYPD will work backwards from an outcome of public safety and that public safety, we know, it is one

that also comes from listening to officers themselves," Mamdani said Monday. The self-described socialist candidate went on to cite "forced overtime" as a leading cause for many New York City police officers' decision to leave their jobs, noting that NYPD officers receive around 200,000 emergency calls pertaining to a mental health crisis every year.

"The fact that every year we ask them to take on additional responsibilities – we are making it more and more difficult for them to respond to the very responsibilities that drew them to the job in the first place," Mamdani argued. "New Yorkers rightfully have concerns around public safety, and I want to empower police officers to respond to serious crime and hire the mental health professionals to respond to mental health calls."

To explain the issue further, Mamdani pointed to a hypothetical incident involving a distressed tourist, arguing officers are forced to use resources to answer these calls, but that could end if the city were to hire a "transit ambassador."

"This forced overtime is something that we can expect. It's not a surprise. It's a requirement of so much of the asks that we are making of these officers." Mamdani told reporters, in response to questions about his proposal to help reduce law enforcement overtime.

"When we ensure that it's not an officer who has to stand in the middle of the Times Square subway station and answer a question from a tourist about which exit works, and which escalator they can take, and what line is running with delays or without them, but that we actually have a transit ambassador such that that officer can focus on serious

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crime, it starts to reduce the kind of overtime that has ballooned. Meanwhile, during a podcast appearance in 2020, the same year Mamdani made his now infamous social media posts calling to defund the NYPD, the socialist candidate for mayor also suggested police should not be the ones responding to domestic violence calls.

"If somebody is surviving, going through domestic violence – there are so many different, different situations that would far better be handled by people trained to deal with those specific situations as opposed to an individual with a gun who has received quite a limited amount of training in general," Mamdani said at the time.

In response to Mamdani's calls to have social workers, not police officers, respond to certain 911 calls related to mental health crises, incumbent Mayor Eric Adams, himself a former NYPD captain, called the idea "irresponsible" and "reckless".

"So when you put civilians in harm's way to respond to a domestic violence incident, that's irresponsible and it's reckless," Adams said while criticizing Mamdani's public safety platform, according to CBS News.

In Mamdani's 17-page public safety plan released earlier this year amid his race to be the Democratic Party's candidate for NYC mayor, he diverged from many of his primary opponents in that he did not envision hiring more officers to the force, according to the New York Times. Rather, per his plan, Mamdani would work to create a Department of Community Safety aimed at expanding mental health teams and other non-law enforcement personnel who can respond to

certain 911 calls.

Mamdani's proposal also spoke to eliminating the NYPD's overtime budget and its task force that is responsible for dealing with protests, according to The Times.

Former New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo, who has been a staunch critic of Mamdani's approach to public safety and police, released his public safety platform on Monday, calling for increasing the number of officers on the NYPD's force by about 5,000.

Cuomo, who is running as an Independent after losing to Mamdani in the Democratic Party primary, also wants to increase officer pay and improve access to benefits and pensions for retired officers.

Jeanne Slupik  
Political Activities Chair



The real case against socialism is not its economic inefficiency, though on all sides there is evidence of that. Much more fundamental is its basic immorality.

*Margaret Thatcher*

## Insights to Executive Committee Chair Positions, Pt. 3



In the last two newsletters, we looked at the duties of the Leadership Chair, the Caring for America Chair, the Hospitality Chair, and the Bylaws Chair. We are continuing this month with a brief description of two additional executive chair positions. Regardless of your level of participation in any area, CLRW strives to have fun as we make contributions to the Republican cause of advancing women in the political process.

Further details are found in the current CLRW Bylaws, as well as the [TFRW Handbook](#).

### Social Media Chair

Shall be responsible for posting content to the CLRW Facebook page, including photos. Shall monitor public posts to determine if they are in accordance with our Republican values and TFRW guidelines; and if not, they are removed from the page.

### Americanism Chair

CLRW, in accordance with the NFRW and TFRW Americanism programs, seeks to promote respect for the American flag and foster allegiance to the United States and its customs and institutions. The Americanism Chair leads us in carrying out this mission through educational and inspirational programs, newsletter articles, and projects. She also recruits volunteers to lead the pledges and prayer at the monthly business meetings.

Stay tuned for more insights to more Executive Committee Chair positions next month! Thank you to all of our ladies who serve as Committee Chairs, and their hard-working committee members who help make our club a wonderful success!

*Jan Hunt*  
President

## Fisher House

On July 21, 2025, Jeanne, Star and I went to Costco for our first of two shopping trips for Fisher House this year.



We bought supplies they asked for. Those supplies included sugar, batteries, paper towels, toilet paper, Clorox wipes, all purpose cleaner, soap pods for washer and dish washer, and fabulousa.

Everyone at Fisher House is always excited and appreciative for what the club does for them. We could not do this without the help of each and everyone of you!!!!

You are all rock stars!

Melinda Rapp  
Armed Forces Chair



# Last Month in Photos



## Fourth of July Parade

# Last Month in Photos



Canyon Lake Republican Women held their monthly business meeting on Wednesday, July 16th, at St. Francis by the Lake Episcopal Church in Canyon Lake. The guest speaker was Doug Leacock, Comal County Commissioner Precinct 1. He spoke about the duties and responsibilities of being a County Commissioner. The book, "County Government in Texas" will be presented to the Tye Preston Memorial Library in honor of Commissioner Leacock. ABOVE PHOTO: Tara Evans - 1st VP Programs, Commissioner Doug Leacock and Jan Hunt - President CLRW.

# Last Month in Photos



July 16  
Business  
Meeting



# Last Month in Photos

## 3rd Quarter TFRW Board Meeting - July 19





# 2025 CLRW NEW Membership Application

CLRW, PO Box #2751, Canyon Lake, TX 78133

CanyonLakeRW.com/JOIN

**(Please PRINT)**

Name:	Last:	First:	Spouse:
Phone:			
Physical Address:	House # & Street:	City:	State & Zip:
Mailing Address:	House # & Street OR PO Box	City:	State & Zip:
Occupation:		Senate District:	
Member Email:		Membership type: (Circle one) Full, Assoc. or Affiliate	Today's Date:

**Have you been a member of a TFRW or NFRW club in the past? If yes, please list the name & location of the club and when you were a member there.**

Your information will be added to the private membership directory. If you **do not** want your information added, initial here \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

(Please use a separate form for each person applying)

**Thank you for your interest in Canyon Lake Republican Women membership!**

- Full Membership** dues - \$40/year for women aged 18+ (November of current year through December of the next year.)
- Associate** dues - \$20 (men, women with another primary TFRW club)
- Affiliate** dues - \$10 (young women 13 – 17 yrs old)

**\*\*Eligibility for membership does not guarantee, and one cannot assume, automatic grant of membership.\*\***

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## Upcoming Elections



This November we will be voting on whether to accept or reject **17 proposed amendments to the Texas Constitution**. We will be including an analysis of these proposed amendments in the September newsletter. Below are the upcoming dates for this election.

*Last day to register to vote: Oct. 6th*

*First day of early voting: Oct. 20th*

*Last day to apply for a ballot by mail: Oct. 24th*

*Last day of early voting: Oct 31st*

*Election Day: Nov. 4*

Remember to report your hours. For more information, use the QR Code on the right or the link at the bottom of the page.



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